

BOARD OF MESSAGE EXAMINERS

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Sec. 2-370. Established.

The Scottsdale Board of Massage Examiners is hereby established.

Sec. 2-371. Membership.

- (a) The Scottsdale Board of Massage Examiners shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the city council, who shall be residents of the City of Scottsdale. Five (5) of the members shall be massage therapists licensed in the City of Scottsdale at the time of their appointment and two (2) of the members shall be representatives of the community at large. City residence may be waived by the city council for good cause.
- (b) The terms of office for members of the Board shall be three (3) years, except that the original members shall be appointed for staggered terms, two (2) for one (1) year, two (2) for two (2) years, and three (3) for three (3) years. The term shall commence on the date of appointment.
- (c) All members shall serve until their successors have been appointed and qualified. Vacancies to fill an unexpired term, or for any other cause, shall be filled by appointment by the city council and the term of the newly appointed member shall commence on the date of appointment.
- (d) The city council shall have the power to remove any board member for cause.
- (e) No board member shall be currently employed or have been employed in the previous two years at a massage school or a place of higher education with a massage program aimed at licensure, either in a full time, part time, or per diem position. Board members may be guest lecturers or presenters at seminars at massage schools, but they must recuse themselves from proctoring any examination of any of the students in their lecture or seminar. Board members may however conduct short term workshops in any area of expertise (including Swedish Massage).

Sec. 2-372. Purpose; functions; duties.

The Scottsdale Board of Massage Examiners will create and administer both written and practical examinations to test each applicant for a massage therapist's license on the following:

- (1) The written examination shall test the applicant's knowledge of the state, county and city health laws, rules, regulations, and any law, rule or regulations which the board determines applies to the pursuit of the occupation of a massage therapist; anatomy, kinesiology, physiology and hygiene. An applicant shall be provided with a compilation of all laws and ordinances applicable to the occupation of a massage therapist, for which a massage therapist shall be responsible and upon which the applicant shall be tested.
- (2) The practical examination shall test the applicant's knowledge of anatomy, physiology, contraindications, therapeutic effectiveness, laws and ethics, scope of practice, hygiene, the theory of

massage and ability in the practice of massage. The practical examination shall be administered by at least two members of the board, both of whom are massage therapists approved pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 2-373. Examination and administration.

Examinations shall be conducted at a location and time to be selected by the board of massage examiners, and shall be administered from time to time as reasonably necessary.

Sec. 2-374. Procedures; rules and regulations.

- (1) Establish rules, regulations and procedures that shall govern its affairs, including provisions for the selection of a chairman and vice-chairman and such other officers as may be deemed reasonably necessary for the effective and efficient operation of the board.
- (2) Establish the time, place and manner of notice of all regular and special meetings.
- (3) Establish the manner of adoption, amendment and repeal of the rules and regulations of the board. A vote by the members will determine a set time for regular meetings, which shall be held at least once a month. Four (4) members will constitute a quorum, which will be required for passage of any matter before the Board.

Sec. 2-375. Compensation.

Members of the board of massage examiners shall only be compensated as set forth herein. The board shall be paid \$25.00 for each exam written or practical given to each applicant. The monies shall be divided proportionally among the board members proctoring the examinations each calendar quarter.

Sec. 2-376. Fees.

The Board shall establish reasonable fees for the written and practical examinations which will recover the approximate costs of giving and administering the tests.